



THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF  
**ST. ANTHONY** *and*  
**SEVEN DOLORS**



A L B A N Y • M I N N E S O T A

**Cycle's of Faith**

**Christmas Day ~ Nativity of the Lord**

"Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord." This is our response to the psalm today. At first some sticklers for English grammar might take exception to the present tense in the sentence. After all, wasn't Jesus born more than two thousand years ago? Yes, that's true. In Bethlehem in Judah in a stable a child was born. He was heralded by angels and honored by shepherds. He was wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger, hardly an auspicious beginning for the King of all the world.

But Christmas is much more than remembering the birth of a child two millennia ago. That is because his birth has real effects for each of us today! The birth of Christ affects our lives. That is why we proclaim, "Today is born our Savior."

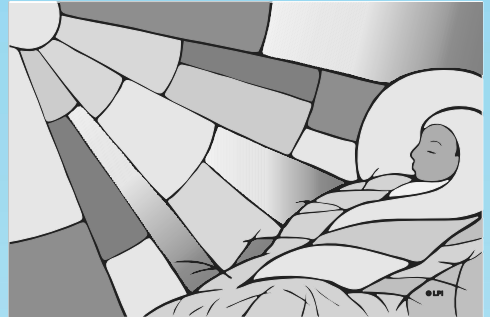
Think about it. In the run up to Christmas many of us opened our hearts and our wallets to those in need. Why did we do that? We did it because we believe what Jesus taught us: to love our neighbor as ourselves. In doing so, Christ is born in our hearts.

Many of us sent greeting cards with good wishes to others. Why did we do that? Because we believe what Jesus taught us: to announce the good news to others. In doing so, Christ is born in our hearts.

We come to worship on Christmas day just as we do on any Sunday. Why do we do that? Because we believe what Jesus taught us: to love God with all our heart, and mind, and soul. In doing so, Christ is born in us.

When Christ is born in us, he is born again in the world. As men and women baptized in his name, we carry him in our hearts to others: to those who walk in darkness, to those who are burdened, to those who feel forsaken. Today is born our Savior!

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*"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." -- Lk 2:11-12*

**Mass Schedule**

**Monday, December 26**

7:30 am † Mary Welters  
 †† John & Ambrose Stangler (SD)

**Tuesday, December 27**

7:30 am † Gertrude (Daisy) Forster  
 † Louis Baggenstoss (SD)

**Wednesday, December 28**

7:30 am † Don Linn, Sr. & Family  
 † Lou Ann Peternell (SD)

**Thursday, December 29**

8:30 am †† Bernard & Hildegard Vos  
 † Norbert Goebel (SA)

**Friday, December 30**

7:30 am † Alice Wolf  
 † Eva Beutz (SD)

**Saturday, December 31**

7:30 am † Ruth Klemmer  
 † Estella Klemmer (SD)  
 5:00 pm Robert & Karen St. Marie's  
 50th Wedding Anniversary  
 † Ervin Silvers  
 Living & †† Deceased of  
 Leo & LuElla Bredeck Family (SD)

**Sunday, January 1**

8:30 am † Ida Boeckers  
 For the Parishes of St. Anthony  
 & Seven Dolors (SA)  
 10:30 am † Loretta Knapp  
 In Thanksgiving (SD)

**Readings for the Week**

**Week of December 25, 2011**

Sun: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Mon: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22

Tues: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wed: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Thurs: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Fri: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or  
 Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Sat: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Sun: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21



**Events Calendar**

**December & January**

Mon. Dec. 26th: Knights of Columbus 8:00pm Seven Dolors Church Basement

Sun. Jan 8th: Holy Family School Breakfast, Seven Dolors Parish Center

Mon. Jan 9th: St. Joseph & St. Ann's Society. 8pm Holy Family School

Tues. Jan 10th: Seven Dolors Parish/Holy Family School Board of Ed. 6:30

Thurs. Jan. 12th Liturgy Committee 7:00pm

Sat. Jan 14th: First Reconciliation 1:30pm (SD)

Thurs. Jan. 19th Seven Dolors Parish Council Meeting 6:30pm



**Wedding Banns**  
 III Christopher Donabauer & Melissa Wohletz

## Merry Christmas

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,  
for our Savior is born to the world.  
True peace has descended from heaven.

Wishing you every blessing as we celebrate the  
birth of Christ. Merry Christmas, Father Michael



## Mass Schedule for January 1st—Holy Day

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God  
New Year's Eve—Sat. Dec. 31st: 5:00pm Seven Dolors  
New Year's Day—Sun, Jan. 1st: 8:30am St. Anthony & 10:30am Seven

## Mass Time Change for Wednesday 7:30 A.M.

Holy Family School is on Christmas break through Monday, January 2nd.  
Mass on Wednesday, December 28th will be at 7:30am.

## 2012 Calendars

The 2012 "Art of the Holy Land" Calendars are available at all entrances.  
We would like to thank the Albany Office of the Central Minnesota Credit  
Union for providing the calendars again this year.

## Quilting

Christmas Break—Quilting will resume January 3rd & 4th! A very special  
thank you to all of our quilters for coming each week. We really appreciate  
all you do!

We wish ALL of you a very Blessed Christmas. Joyce, Teresa & Bonnie

## Kinderchurch & Food Shelf

Every Sunday Kinderchurch children are invited to bring an item for the  
Albany Food Shelf. At each class we will place these in a special basket to  
help us live like Jesus and share with others.

## Attn. Eucharistic Ministers

December has five Saturdays (only four Sundays); which has brought up  
the subject of which Eucharistic Minister Team will be scheduled for which  
Saturday in January (this happens again in March & June of 2012). Team 1  
& 2 will be scheduled Dec. 31 and Jan. 1st (because the 5pm Mass on Dec.  
31 is for the Sunday Mass).

## 2011 Contributions

December 31st falls on a Saturday—for those of you who will be attending  
the 5:00pm Mass—donations made for that Mass will be credited on your  
2012 statement (the donation envelope will be dated January 1, 2012).  
If you want that donation to be on the 2011 statement please make that  
very clear! All other contributions for 2011 need to be in to the parish office  
by December 31st to receive credit on your 2011 contribution statement.  
Thank you.

## Direct Mailing of 2012 Adult Donation Envelopes

In an effort to save money and reduce the cost of our contribution envel-  
opes, we will again be mailing out contribution envelopes quar-  
terly. 2012 Envelopes will be mailed out "four times a year"; we  
are only allowed 17 envelopes per packet for the reduced mail-  
ing rate. Like the 2010 & 2011 envelopes..... along with the  
usual Sunday envelopes we will include "Parish Concerns Enve-  
lopes" and four quarterly "Special Needs Envelopes".



Direct Deposit Available: If you would like to have your donations made  
through "direct deposit", forms are available on the back table of church,  
gathering area table & the parish office. If you have any questions, please  
call Joan 845-2705. Thank you!

## 2012 Youth Donation Envelopes

Youth Envelopes will be handed out as needed ... please continue to use  
the same box your children have now. If your child needs a box or theirs is  
empty and they need a new one, let Joan know and arrangements can be  
made to pick up a new box

## Holy Family School Breakfast

The families of Holy Family School in Albany  
are sponsoring a breakfast on Sunday, January  
8th from 8:30—12:30 in the Seven Dolors Parish  
Center. The menu includes: Sausage, ham, pan-  
cakes, hash browns, scrambled eggs, apple-  
sauce, strawberries, whipped cream, caramel &  
cinnamon rolls, juice, milk and coffee. Adults,  
\$8; Seniors (62+) \$7; children (K-6) \$5; children  
5 & under FREE

## Thank You!

The choir of Seven Dolors would like to thank  
the following people and business for donating  
their time and money toward

the Soup, Sandwich Supper and  
Christmas choral concert: Geri  
Garding, Pat Brenny, Shirley  
Bauer, Tillie Gilk, Rosie Zimmerman, Diane Noll,  
Kyle & Luke Van Overbeke, Sr. Alice and the  
Faith Formation Students, Bagggenstoss Dairy,  
Albany Country Floral, Kay's Bouquets and Butch  
Wolf. Also, Jim and Jean Sand, Lynn and Brian  
Schiffler, Jack Evans, Karla and Brian Schneider,  
Paul Wellenstein, Jason Spychala and Apollo In-  
surance.



## Honoring Marriage Day

Bishop Kenney and staff have asked for our  
assistance in providing them with Seven Dolors  
and St. Anthony couples who will be married 5,  
25, 40 or 50 years (in 2012) so they can send  
you an invitation to a special liturgy that will be  
held on Saturday, May 5th, 2012 at St. Mary's  
Cathedral. If you would like to attend please sub-  
mit a request to either parish office by  
Feb. 1st.

## Fatima Pilgrim Statue

The traveling Fatima Pilgrim statue of  
our Blessed Mother is at the home of  
Clarence & Jean Enneking. To reserve  
the statue in your home, please call 845-4092.



## Rosary Leaders

### December

26-31: Rollie & Tillie Gilk

### January

2-7: Valeria Oehrlein & Rosie  
Zimmerman

9-14: Mary Ann Groetsch & Millie  
Ebensteiner



## Please Pray For...

.... all who are sick in our community, especially  
Noah Stich, Lorraine Zenzen, Bill Welle, Tony  
Cherne, Conrad Locnikar, Duane Eiyнк, Ken  
Gaebel and Delores Rolfes. To add a name to  
the Prayer Line, please call 845-2705.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will not be held Dec. 23  
or Dec. 30.

## Current Funeral Group: #21

**Junior High Youth Rally**

Youth Rally for grades 6-7-8 will be Sun, Jan. 15th 10am-4pm at St. Johns Prep & SJU. Cost is \$16. Registration forms are on-line at [www.sevendolors-stanthony.org](http://www.sevendolors-stanthony.org). or [stclouddiocese.org](http://stclouddiocese.org) Chaperones are needed. Transportation is not provided.

**Castaway**

“Live Out Loud” Castaway High School retreat for grades 9-12 is March 16-17-18 in Detroit Lakes. Cost \$130 FIRM registration deadline of Feb. 8th. Registration forms are on-line at [www.sevendolors-stanthony.org](http://www.sevendolors-stanthony.org). “Teen Corner”. Forms can be handed in to Sr. Alice or Joan Sand

**Faith Formation Classes**

**Wed. Dec. 28th No Classes (Christmas Break)**

No more classes this year. Enjoy the Christmas Break! Classes will resume January 4th, 2012.

**Wed. Jan. 4th**

Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5: from 6:00-7:15pm  
Grades 10 & 11: from 8:00-9:15pm

Faith Formation email: [faithformation@albanytel.com](mailto:faithformation@albanytel.com)  
 PLANNING AHEAD:

Sat. Jan 14th: Grade 2—First Reconciliation 1:30pm in church

Sun. Jan 15th: Jr. High Youth Rally 10am-4pm

March 16-17-18: Castaway Retreat @ Detroit Lakes

Sun. April 15th: First Holy Communion

Tues. April 17th: Confirmation 2pm Seven Dolors Church



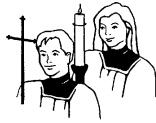
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**Saint Anthony Liturgical Roles**

**Sunday, January 1**

**Servers**

8:30 am Julie Rademacher & Shelby Goebel



**Lector**

8:30 am Mary Rademacher

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

8:30 am Arnold Stueve, Darlene Adrian, Gen Beutz & Dean Goebel

**Sacristan**

8:30 am Mary Rademacher

**Gift Bearers**

8:30 am Tim & Elizabeth Vos

**Ushers**

8:30 am Ryan Goebel & Isidore Hartung

**CM & W Newsletter**

For anyone who would like to take one, there are several extra copies of the Christian Mothers newsletter, "Mother Love," on the window sill in the church entrance.



**Current Funeral Group: #1**

**Religious Education Grades 1—5**

Wednesday, December 28, No Class, Christmas Break!

**Cleaning List for January**

Church—Group #1, Antoinette Breth (call the rest) Mary Jane Zeimetz, Mary Jane Urbashich, Karen St. Marie, Irene Wielenberg. Parish house—Group #2; Jeanette Luethmers (call the rest) Mary Klasen, Jen Stich, Laura Vogel Joan Cremers. The parish house may be cleaned anytime Tuesday-Saturday 8am to 6pm. If cleaning needs to take place during the evening hours, please contact the parish office to make arrangements. Spouses and children are encouraged to help with cleaning.



**Out of the Office**

Kim will be out of the office through December 30th. Announcements for the January 1st bulletin need to be in to Joan at Seven Dolors by 8AM Wednesday, December 28th. 845-2705 or [7dolors@albanytel.com](mailto:7dolors@albanytel.com)

**Contribution Envelopes and 2011 Contributions**

2012 contribution envelopes are located in the back of church. All contributions for 2011 need to be in to the parish office by December 31st to receive credit on your 2011 contribution statement.

**Thank You!**

Thank you to the St. Anthony Men's Holy Name Society for purchasing the new snow blower for St. Anthony Church.



**Please Pray For...**

all who are sick in our parish especially Tony Cherne, Mary Geise, Joe Gerads and Lindsey Karki.

COMMUNITY NEWS & INTERESTS

**Songs of the Season**

The Tri-Parish Harmony Choir from Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception and St. Rose of Lima, will present Songs of the Season concert on New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31 at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport beginning at 3:15 pm. The 4:00 pm Mass will follow.



**Saturday Evening Mass**

Beginning January 7th, St. Francis of Assisi Church (north of Albany on hwy 238) will be having Mass on Saturday evenings at 4:00 P.M.

**SOUP-ER BINGO**

Friday, Dec. 30—St. John the Baptist Parish, Colledgeville: Soup & Sandwich Supper serving from 5-8:00PM Adults \$7 and children (ages 5-10)\$3. Bingo \$1/game from 6-9:00PM Cash Prizes. A fun event for the whole family to ring in the New Year!

**“Hannah's Hope”**

“Hannah's Hope” - A Support Group for Infertility: Are you one of the millions of married couples in the U.S. struggling to conceive a child? One in six married couples experiences infertility - you are not alone. We invite you to join us as we share our stories, support each other in prayer, and discuss resources for infertility treatments which follow Catholic teaching. Questions? E-mail Laura at [HannahsHopeMN@gmail.com](mailto:HannahsHopeMN@gmail.com) or call 320.252.4721.

**Seven Dolors Liturgical Roles**  
**Saturday, December 31 & Sunday, January 1**  
 Solemnity of Mary—Holy Mother of God



**Servers**

- 5:00 pm Katie Budde & Gabrielle Fuchs
- 10:30 am Jessica Ohmann & Bethany Christen

**Lectors**

- 5:00 pm Edna Goebel (Bob & Karen St. Marie Family)
- 10:30 am Darlene Felling

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- 5:00 pm Fr. Michael, Team 1: Sheela Arceneau, Linda M-Abraham-Hall, Edna Goebel, Sharon Weyer, Doris Budde, Kim Ohmann, Greg Smoley, Deb Tamm
- 10:30 am Fr. Michael OSB, Team 2 Leader: Rosie Zimmerman, Jack Petermeier, Mary Sauerer, Connie Harvard, Butch Wolf, Tom & Laurel Enneking, Rita Gasperlin

**Sacristans**

- 5:00 pm Sharon Weyer
- 10:30 am Rosie Zimmerman
- Candles Lora Fourre

**Gift Bearers**

- 5:00 pm Bob & Karen St. Marie Family
- 10:30 am Tony, Joan & Paula Gruenke

**Ushers**

- 5:00 pm Jeff, Sheela & Luke Arceneau, Mark Klemmer
- 10:30 am David & Cindy Dirkes, Shirley Burr, Dan Meer

**Seven Dolors Shut-in Eucharistic Ministers**

Carol Schwinghamer and Al Wenker  
 Rita Gasperlin—Hospital and Virgil Gruenke—Mercy Manor

**Pastor Fr. Michael Naughton, OSB**

**St. Anthony Church**

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**Parish Secretary,**

Kim Fish ..... (M, T, W) 8:30 am

**Bookkeeper**

Janice Wuebkers ..... Monday afternoon

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**Holy Family School Principal,**

Bonnie Massmann ..... 845-2011

**Faith Formation Coordinator,**

Sister Alice Imdieke, OSB ..... Office 845-4335  
 Home 845-2454 email: faithformation@albanytel.com

**Bookkeeper/Parish Secretary,**

Joan Sand ..... 845-2705

**Shut-In Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator**

Sharon Weyer ..... 845-4987  
 Carol Schwinghamer (shut-in) ..... 845-7310

**Parish Nurse,**

Cindy Nienaber ..... 845-4046

**Parish Accompanist/**

**Director of Music Ministries,**

Karen Heitzman ..... 845-2755

**St. Cloud Diocese**

WebSite ..... www.stclouddiocese.org

**Rosary Schedule**

**Seven Dolors:** Monday-Saturday (prior to 7:30 am Mass);  
 Tuesday 10:00 am (Scripture)

**St. Anthony:** Thursday (prior to 8:30 am Mass)

**Confessions**

**St. Anthony:** Sunday before 8:30 am Mass

**Seven Dolors:** Saturday 4:00 pm  
 Thursday (before 1st Friday) 4:00 pm

**Baptism**

**St. Anthony:** Contact the Parish Office

**Seven Dolors:** 1st & 3rd Sunday; contact the Parish Office

**Marriage**

Six months preparation required; contact the Pastor.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Please have a family member contact the Pastor or Parish Office.

**Shut-Ins**

Communion, Sacrament of the Sick, Pastoral Visitation:  
 We want to know your pastoral needs. Please have a family member contact the parish office.

**Bulletin Deadline**

Wednesday 8:00 am. Please send your announcement to the St. Anthony office 845-2416, (fax) 845-2414 or stanthony@albanytel.com. *Thank you!*

**New Parishioners**

If you would like to become a member of one of our parishes please call the Parish Office at 320-845-2416 or 320-845-2705.

**St. Anthony Stewardship**

. Due to the early bulletin deadline, stewardship for December 18th and 24th & 25th will be posted in the January 1st bulletin.

**Seven Dolors Stewardship**

. Due to the early bulletin deadline, stewardship for December 17th-18th will be posted in the January 1st bulletin.

**Retirement Fund For Religious**

Retirement Fund Collection was last Sunday. By making a donation to this retirement fund you are helping support our religious men and women who have made a commitment to serve God throughout their lives. More than 95% of your donation benefits elderly religious. Use a regular envelope or an envelope available at church entrances. Please be generous.

**Discover Natural Family Planning (NFP)!**

NFP cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. It is effective, healthy, and marriage building. The Billings Ovulation Method is a natural, highly effective method for postponing or achieving pregnancy without the use of drugs or devices. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in St. Cloud on Thursday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. For more information, or to register, call 320-252-4721. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. \*Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

*He was in the beginning with God.  
 All things came to be through him,  
 and without him nothing came to be.  
 What came to be through him was life,  
 and this life was the light of the human race.*

— Jn 1:2-4

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